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A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Dr. Bob Raines to the Tennessee Board of Regents.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-201, provides for the creation of the Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-201, further provides that the Governor shall appoint fourteen members to the Board of Regents, including one member who is a faculty member at a Board of Regents institution; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Haslam has appointed Dr. Bob Raines of Jackson to serve on the Board of Regents; he will serve as the faculty member of the Board of Regents during a term that will expire on June 30, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Raines was born in Jackson, Tennessee, and earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Tennessee - Martin, and a master's degree and Ph.D. from the University of Southern Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Raines worked as a clinical psychologist in Texas and Tennessee for 25 years prior to beginning his career in college teaching; and

WHEREAS, he is an Associate Professor at Jackson State Community College (JSCC) and is currently Chair of the Faculty Council; in addition, Dr. Raines serves as the Coordinator of the JSCC Honors Program and served on the college's leadership team at the Tennessee Complete College Academy; and

WHEREAS, he was awarded the NISOD Excellence in Teaching Award in 2008; and WHEREAS, Dr. Raines serves on the Jackson Area Council on Alcoholism Board of Directors and provides psychological evaluations for local law enforcement agencies, in addition to volunteering with the Tennessee Nature Conservancy - Hatchie River Projects; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Raines's excellence as a scholar, teacher, and faculty and community leader will be a tremendous asset to the Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bob Raines is a person of integrity and an active citizen whose benevolence, acumen, and strong commitment to public service have helped to enhance the well being of this state and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-201, provides that each member appointed by the governor to the Board of Regents shall be subject to confirmation by the Senate; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that this body hereby confirms the appointment of Dr. Bob Raines to the Tennessee Board of Regents as a faculty member for a term to expire on June 30, 2013.